

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Examiner: Patel, Vishal A.

For: DIVIDED DRIVER DEVICE FOR A SLIP  
RING SEAL

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Amendment and Response to Final Office Action**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 24, 2008, and in conjunction with the enclosed Request for Continued Examination, Applicants respond as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Dated: June 19, 2008

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(Joshua L. Jones)